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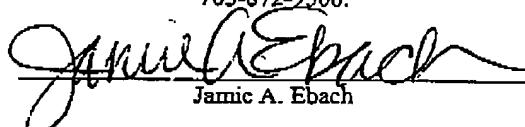
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed December 8, 2004. Prior to amendment, Claims 12-32 were pending in the application. Claims 12-32 have been rejected.

After amendment, claims 12-21 and 33 will be pending.

No extensions of time or fees are believed to be required in connection with the filing of this response. Should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and thereafter notify us of the same.